

INCREASE OF PENSION. (FOR A BOARD.)

Claim No. 81512

Name of claimant, *John Johnston*

Rank, *Private*

Company, *A*

Regiment, *1st U.S. Col. T.*

Post-office address, *Easton Talbot Co. Md.*

ADDRESS OF THE BOARD:

Post office, *Exchange Place under P.O.*

County, *Baltimore City*

State, *Md.*

Date of examination, *Sept. 2nd., 1885.*

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that in compliance with the requirements of the law* we have carefully examined this applicant, who states that he is now pensioned at a *24 per cent.* disability on account of *Excision of head of humerus & 4 in. of shaft of same.*

and that he claims an increased rating for the reason that *he can do nothing at all with left arm.* and that he is now disabled to *(totally)* degree for earning his subsistence by manual labor.

His pulse-rate per minute is *78*; his respiration *18*; his temperature *98 1/2*; his height is *5* feet and *4 1/2* inches; he weighs *185* pounds, and he states that he is *48* years of age.

Touching his disability and his reasons for asking an increase of pension, he makes the following statement:

That he is now wholly disabled & the present pension does not support him. Constant misery in left hand & left arm. makes him feverish - coughs all the time with shortness of breath. He finds

A depressed scar adherent to soft parts & very sensitive to pressure on inch from outer border of scapula & one & a half inches below spine - site marked on back of certificate. A scar 4 inches long & inch wide adhering to underlying tissues, commencing at inner side of left

Upon examining this applicant we find the following objective conditions which, in our judgment, do

entitle him to an increased rating: *florididity, morning sweats, tenders external condyle of humerus. A retraction of head of humerus including 3 or 4 inches of shaft. Considerable atrophy of soft parts about left shoulder - no power to extend flex or elevate the left arm. Some pronation and supination. No grasping power in left hand. Fingers stiff & stiff, but slight flexion present. Some slight flexion & extension power in the left thumb. Left arm measures 7 3/4 around middle of humerus - right arm 11 1/2 inches at same point. Tubular bronchus at apex of left lung & bronchus - vesicular at right apex anteriorly. Slight dullness over apex of left lung & atrophy of soft parts of left chest from non-use. abdominal viscera contracted.*

From the existing condition and the history of this claimant, as stated by himself, it is, in our judgment, probable that the disability was incurred in the service as he claims, and that it

has not been prolonged or aggravated by vicious habits. He is, in our opinion, entitled to *24* rating for the disability caused by *Excision of head of humerus*, for that caused by _____, and _____ caused by _____, the sum of which aggregates _____

* See the back.

J. Horace Hoffmann, Pres.,
_____, Sec'y,
S. K. Mumick, Treas., } BOARD.

Here give the claimant's statement of his reasons for claiming an increased rating as fully and as compactly as possible.

Here give a full description of the conditions by which the claimant is now disabled, and compare his present condition with that which existed when the present rating was allowed.

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